SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN (PUBLIC PARTICIPATION)

January 14, 2004 7:00 PM

Mayor Baines called the meeting to order.

Mayor Baines called for the Pledge of Allegiance, this function being led by Alderman Shea.

A moment of silent prayer was observed.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Roy, Gatsas, Guinta, Sysyn, Osborne, Porter, O'Neil,

Lopez, Shea, DeVries, Garrity, Smith, Thibault, Forest

Mayor Baines advised that the purpose of the special meeting is to give residents of Manchester the opportunity to address the Board on items of concern affecting the community; that each person will be given only one opportunity to speak; that comments shall be limited to two minutes to allow all participants the opportunity to speak and any comments must be directed to the Chair.

Mayor Baines requested that any resident wishing to speak come forward to the nearest microphone, clearly state their name and address when recognized, and give their comments.

John Latcher, 10 Gantry Street, Manchester stated:

I would just like to talk about my opposition to the medical waste facility over on Industrial Park Drive. I read in the paper that Pennsylvania I guess has the same facility and they haven't had any problems for the last nine years or so. That doesn't mean that a problem can't arise at some point of time. I mean there are risks with everything. There is a risk when you cross the street or whatever but this is kind of a risk that I feel could be a problem down the road. You don't know what is coming out of the stack at different times and supposedly we are relying on a computer to determine what is going up through the stacks and we all know that computers screw up from time to time so I am against that. I urge all of the people in Ward 8 and Ward 9 in the south area of Manchester to call their Alderman and oppose this facility. I know that the Tamposi family are the owners of the building and that is obviously a big name down in Nashua. I don't know if that has anything to do with it but I am just opposed to that. Secondly I want to talk about the recycling. I am for recycling but as far as the dollar per bag charge I feel that I shouldn't have to pay a dollar for a bag if

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somebody else making less income than I am pays 50 cents or gets the bag for nothing. I think that is a disservice to me as a taxpayer of the City. As far as implementing this thing we don't even know the base cost of the implementation of this program. You are saying \$1 per bag for the recycling but it could end up costing more than that. We don't know. We don't know how many people are going to participate in this program so we don't know the exact base cost of how much this is going to cost. It could cost \$1.45 a bag and if you underestimate your projections then you are going to have to start taking money out of the general fund, which is going to be a bigger cost to the taxpayers of this City. My last thing, a minor concern of mine was I went to the inauguration last week and I noticed that the Mayor was inaugurated by three of his children. I have never seen that as far as watching politics on TV and everything. I have never seen a public official getting sworn in by his own family. According to the RSA for the State of NH it states that the person swearing in the Mayor has to be a judge or a notary public or a justice of the peace and I would just like to see the City Clerk elaborate on that a little bit for me.

There being no one else present wishing to speak, on motion of Alderman Roy, duly seconded by Alderman Thibault it was voted to take all comments under advisement and further to receive and file any written documentation presented.

This being a special meeting of the Board, no further business was presented and on motion of Alderman Smith, duly seconded by Alderman Sysyn it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

City Clerk